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Army Chief recommends Bharat Ratna to Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa

Nearly 15,000 people gathered at the sprawling grounds of Cauvery College in Gonikoppal, Kodagu, this morning to witness the unveiling of the statues of the two icons of Kodagu, Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa and Gen. K.S. Thimayya by the Army Chief General Bipin Rawat.

Gen. Bipin Rawat is seen saluting the 7.6-feet tall statues of Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa (right) and Gen. K.S. Thimayya after unveiling the statues this morning at Gonikoppal.

Col. Kandrathanda C. Subbaiah, President of Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa and Gen. Thimayya Forum, seen with Gen. Bipin Rawat at the venue of unveiling of the statues in Gonikoppal.

Gonikoppal, Nov.4 (BCT)- The Army of any country cannot be strong if the veterans are neglected, said the Chief of the Army Staff Gen. Bipin Rawat at a function held at Cauvery College in Gonikoppal, South Kodagu, this morning. He was speaking after unveiling the statues. **[Detailed Report on Page-18]**

To Our Readers

Do you want to rent your premises — house or room — to a foreign student or a visitor? Turn to Page-8 for an article titled ***"Renting to Foreigners: Know the Law"*** *by Vikram Muthanna in his weekly column* ***In Black & White.*** **—Ed**

GOOD NEWS FOR STUDENTS !
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Mysuru, Saturday 4th November 2017

Kannada: Past, Present, Posterity

The quote that every language is a temple in which the soul of its speakers is enshrined must serve as a diktat to all citizens of this multilingual land to not only *love* their respective tongues but also *respect* other tongues spoken by fellow-citizens. After conceding the demand for classical language status to Tamil in 2004, the Government of India has enlarged the list of classical languages of the country to five more, including Kannada that was bestowed the distinction in 2008. Sanskrit (2005), Telugu (2008), Malayalam (2013) and Odiya (2014) are in the league of India's classical languages. Article 343 of the Constitution has given Hindi the status of *official language* of the Union. Also, Article 351 has accorded Sanskrit a special status giving the ancient language a position of the *primary source* language for many languages, including Hindi. In the backdrop of Hindi dominating as a *symbol* of nationalist feelings during freedom struggle, the country witnessed acts of displeasure by many linguistic sections over promoting such feelings, Kannada-speaking regions included.

Public at large is not either aware of or informed by sources concerned about any major developments featuring Kannada after the language was accorded classical status. Even the Centre of Excellence for Studies in Classical Kannada (CESCK), set up at the Mysuru-based Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL) six years ago has reportedly made little progress because of bureaucratic hurdles.

The *entire* headcount of more than six crores in Karnataka are made out to be *Kannadigas* by many public speakers, particularly vote-seeking politicos, a remark that has to be taken with a pinch of salt. In this context, the CIIL conducting a Distance Education Course in Kannada since 1985 for the employees of Karnataka government who do not know Kannada is a laudable initiative. The measure, with its limited scope for meeting the wish of pro-Kannada section in the State's population, also may not contribute to infuse love for the language even on the part of Kannadigas.

The initiative taken by a Mysuru-based voluntary group to bring out a book to enable foreigners and non-Kannadigas to communicate in Kannada may augur well to regain Kannada's glorious *past*, abate non-Kannada feelings of the *present* and sustain the message of Kannada being likened to the fragrant Kasturi for *posterity*.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

The first time I met Kiran Bedi was at a high-profile felicitation function in Mumbai. She had just won a prestigious award and was on cloud nine. She was then the much-admired Crane Bedi of Delhi, having shot to fame for allowing Indira Gandhi's car to be towed from a 'No Parking' zone in the capital. Back to my story: I was with my late father the night I met Kiran. He was her unabashed admirer, but had a major problem with her appearance and outfits. I had grown tired of explaining to him that it was a personal option and she was entitled to dress exactly as she pleased. Unsatisfied with my reasoning, he pounced on the first chance he got when I introduced them. After a round of effusive compliments, my feisty, 85-year-old father asked her bluntly, "Why do you dress like a man? These clothes are most unflattering!" Kiran, visibly taken aback, regained her composure swiftly and said she found the Pathan suit very practical. It should have ended there. But, my father went on to recommend "more feminine" alternatives, like a salwar-kameez. He also advised her to grow her hair long and not sport a 'boy cut.' Kiran was gracious enough to indulge him briefly, before rushing away. — *Shoba De in The Week.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Odd Patriot!

London: An 87-year-old British pensioner has developed an oddly patriotic condition in which he hears an auditory hallucination of England's National Anthem playing in his head on a loop.

Ron Goldspink of Bilton, suffers from a rare condition called Musical Ear Syndrome (MES) and mainly, which affects those suffering from hearing loss, causing them to develop non-psychiatric auditory hallucinations. The cause and mechanism of MES are currently unknown, but researchers believe it occurs when there is a lack of auditory stimulation. Sensory deprivation causes the brain to begin manufacturing sound, hence it is common among people suffering hearing loss. Goldspink says he developed the condition spontaneously three or four months ago, adding that the version of 'God Save the Queen' he constantly hears in his head is sung by an all-male choir.

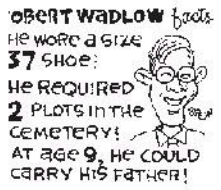
In search of ideal woman!

Rome: Ladies, meet Alan, a 37-year-old computer science graduate looking for a partner to share his life with. But he doesn't want just any lady, he's looking for the ideal woman, So he has set up a one page website as a guide for possible candidates. Alan describes himself as a "European male born in 1980, 1.89mt tall with pleasant look and a slender/athletic figure," and, he feels that the INFJ personality type (Introversion, Intuition, Feeling, Judging) and the HSP trait (Highly Sensitive Person) can be used to characterise him. He is currently trying to find his ideal woman to start a life. Alan wants to spend more time with her as possible. He points out that his ideal woman "should not be overweight at least trying to eat healthy food and exercising sometimes." According to him, his ideal woman should be "a free thinker, open minded, free from social constrictions woman who does not believe in any god but in herself and her rational judgement based on empirical, scientific and philosophical knowledge." If you've somehow ticked all the boxes so far, I highly encourage you to read Alan's entire essay on *IdealWoman.info*.

HEALTH CAPSULE

by Bron Smith

Who was the tallest human?



The tallest human on record is Robert Wadlow of Alton, Illinois. Known as the "Alton Giant," he was 8 feet, 11 inches tall. Wadlow was born on Feb. 22, 1918. He died on July 15, 1940, at the age of 22.

**Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Mahabhisheka to Nandi atop Hill tomorrow

Blue velvet cloth to be draped on the Bull for the first time

Mysuru, Nov.4 (SP&NNN)- Bettada Balaga Charitable Trust has organised Mahabhisheka to the Nandi Bull atop Chamundi Hill on Nov.5 at 9.30 am. This is the 12th Mahabhisheka, but for the first time, a 54-metre-long blue velvet cloth with maroon border will be draped on the Bull, said Trust President Prakash.

Addressing a press conference at the Pathrakarthara Bhavan here on Thursday, he said that the Mahabhisheka would begin at 9.30 am and there would be 37 different types of abhisheka performed. After the abhisheka, the velvet cloth would be draped. At 12 noon, the Mahamangalarathi prasada will be distributed.

Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama and Mysuru Milk Dairy will provide 100 litres of milk each for the abhisheka. The remaining quantity will be given by the Trust and the participants for the puja, he said.

On Nov. 6, Deepotsava programme has been organised by the staff of JSS Hospital at 6.30 pm and along with this, assistance will be provided to the Girls Higher Primary School atop Chamundi Hill from the donations collected, said Prakash.

Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Sri Datta Vijayananda Theertha Swamiji, Sri Hosamutt's Sri Chidananda Swamiji, Adichunchanagiri Branch Mutt's Sri Somanathananda Swamiji and Sri Jamunagiri Swamiji of Vyagrahamukha Rudrapada Guhe (cave) atop the Hill, will grace the occasion. Folk music organised by the Kannada and Culture Department will rent the air, he said.

Trust Secretary Govind, Treasurer Sunder, Trustees Nandeesh and Bank Shivakumar were present at the press conference.

It may be recalled, the members of the Chamundi Betta Mettilu Hattuva Balaga had performed a similar *abhisheka* to the statue on Oct. 23, the first Monday of *Kartika* Month.

Really...?

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VOICE OF THE READER

Remembering time spent with Amitabh Bachchan

A file photo of Amitabh Bachchan and Amrita Singh at KRS with Minister Raghupathy and K.Vijaya Kumar (in the middle).

Sir,

T.J.S. George's column on Amitabh Bachchan in *Star of Mysore* recently took my memory back over 30 years ago, when the actor was in Mysuru, for a film shooting.

If my memory serves me right, it was in 1985 for the film *'Mard'* with Amrita Singh at Hotel Lalitha Mahal and our Information Department had to give permission for shooting there. Hence, I was in touch with their film unit.

During that period M. Raghupathy, who was our Minister and close to Amitabh, wanted me to take him around the Brindavan Gardens at KRS. His wife Jaya Bhaduri had also come with him to Mysuru and I was supposed to accompany the couple. But in the last minute she couldn't join him for the visit. But what happened in between was quite interesting.

Amitabh Bachchan was busy with the shooting till late in the evening and I did not want to disturb him about the visit. Hence I met Jaya Bhaduri and gave my residence number to call me as soon they were ready. As I was returning home, I received a message that Amitabh Bachchan was ready and waiting for me.

I rushed to him without going home. Meanwhile, Jaya Bhaduri had telephoned my home to inform that she was not able to join for the visit, as she had to take care of her accompanying children.

My wife who was not aware of anything about this was surprised beyond belief to receive a call from an actress like Jaya Bhaduri with that message. She could not contact me and had to wait for my return with quite an amusement!

A couple of hours I spent with Amitabh Bachchan was revealing to know his fine inner qualities. Hence, I agree with T.J.S. George in describing Amitabh who has earned mass appeal with respect. Minister Raghupathy also joined him at KRS and spent some time before returning to Bengaluru.

— K. Vijaya Kumar
V.V. Mohalla
25.10.2017

CM to open State-level Natl. Children's Science Congress in city on Nov. 29

Mysuru, Nov.4 (NNN)- The 25th State-level National Children's Science Congress will be held in city from Nov.29 to Dec. 1. The three-day Congress will be inaugurated by Chief Minister Siddharamaiah at Senate Bhavan in Manasagangothri, said District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa.

Speaking at the Government Guest House here on Nov.2, he said that Seminars and Science Model exhibition will be held at different auditoriums in Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) campus.

Nearly, 1,500 children and 300 teachers with 100 teachers as judges will participate, he said and asked the departments concerned to provide proper food and accommodation to the participants.

Dr. Mahadevappa said that Rs. 30 lakh grant had been fixed for the Congress and directed the Deputy Commissioner to form different committees and appoint officials to head them.

Karnataka Rajya Vijnana Parishat (KRVP) President Shivaprakash said that the children who are participating in the State-level Congress have already been selected after they had participated in the taluk and district level programmes. From every District ten teams with five students each will participate.

The students in the age group of 10 to 14 and 14 to 18 years both from rural and urban areas will be divided into four groups and the Congress will be conducted in four separate stages. Those selected at the State-level will be sent to participate in the National Children's Science Congress at Ahmedabad.

The theme of the Congress is *Science, Technology and Innovation for Sustainable Development*. The aim of the Congress is to fight superstitious beliefs and unscientific ideas and show the way to the students and youth to develop progressive thinking and research bent of mind, he said.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Calling poets

Karnataka Rajya Vokkaligara Vikasa Vedike will be conducting Kavighosti as part of Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations on Nov.18. Interested may send two of their poems to the Vedike office, No.11, Second Floor, City Bus Stand Building, K.R. Circle, Mysuru-21 before Nov. 8. Similarly, the Vedike will also present the State-Level Kannada Vikasa Rathna Awards to achievers in various fields. Interested may send their documents to the Vedike office or contact Mob: 99026-98623.

Objections invited

The Co-operation Department has appointed a Liquidator for Vyavasaya Seva Sahakara Sangha, Kaniyanahundi. Now, the Sangha members and villagers have evinced interest in running the Society. As such, the Sangha members, if any, can file objections in writing along with supporting documents before Nov.10, according to a press release.

Kannada Rajyotsava Celebrations

Theatre Director Padmashree B. Jayashree will be the chief guest during the 62nd Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations organised by Book Clubs-2015 - Kannada Odugara Okkuta at Swami Vivekananda auditorium in Mahajana PU College, Jayalakshmipuram, tomorrow (Nov. 5) at 11 am. Rajyotsava Awardee Meera Nayak will be felicitated on the occasion. Also, an interaction will be held between B. Jayashree and writer Preethi B. Nagaraj.

Soundarya Lahari classes

Bharateeya Samskriti Vidya Kendra has organised a free Soundarya Lahari classes on every Sundays from Nov.12, between 12 noon and 1 pm. Interested may register their names before Nov.10. Applications can be obtained from Yogacharya Prof. K. Keshavamurthy at the Centre, No.298, 1st Cross, H- Block, R.K. Nagar. For details, contact Mob: 98459-35080.

Selected as Civil Judge

M. Akarsh, a member of Mysuru Bar Association, has been selected as a Civil Judge by the Civil Judges Recruitment Committee, High Court of Karnataka, Bengaluru. He was selected based on the marks secured in the written competitive exam and viva-voce held last month. He is an alumnus of JSS Law College in city.

Private Hospitals' strike causes untold hardships to patients

Mysuru, Nov.4 (RK&NNN)- Unaware of the 24-hour strike call given by the Private Hospitals and clinics against the Karnataka Private Medical Establishment (Amendments) Bill, here yesterday, majority of the patients were put to untold hardships as they were turned away from the hospitals.

The nearly 120 hospitals in city had suspended most of the services following the strike call from yesterday 8 am till today 8 am. Hence, it was a common scene to see the hospital staff refusing treatment and sending the patients back.

As the Out-Patient Departments were closed in various hospitals, the unsuspecting patients were put to a lot of inconvenience. In a few of the hospitals even the ambulances carrying patients for emergency attention were not allowed inside and the security personnel were seen chasing the ambulances away. 'No Out-Patient Department,' was the sign board greeting patients who had come for treatment of various problems in Departments like Medicine, Ortho, Surgery, ENT, Neuro, Skin to name a few.

The flow of patients to K.R. Hospital increased following the strike call by the private Doctors yesterday.

Inhuman scenes were witnessed when the patients from rural areas were not even allowed to enter the hospital. This resulted in heated exchange of words between the relatives of the patients and the hospital staff.

It was also a sad sight to see pregnant women asked to go to Govt. hospitals. The relatives were seen cursing the managements of the private hospitals.

Apart from this, the closing of private clinics, diagnostic centres and nursing homes caused a lot of problems to those who were undergoing regular treatment.

Government's indirect support to strike!

Is the Government itself indirectly supporting the strike called by the managements of Private Hospitals and clinics, is the question doing the rounds. The reason for this doubt is that the person heading the strike is the Indian Medical Association (IMA) State President Dr. Ravindra. He is the Secretary of the Congress party and had contested in the MLC elections as its candidate.

Even though Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has strongly criticised the strike by the private doctors, it is surprising to see a leader from his own party leading the agitation, which has led to the rumours of the Government supporting the strike indirectly.

According to one of the sources in the Congress party, Dr. Yathindra, son of Siddharamaiah, was seen advising his father about the adverse impact of the strike. It is learnt that the doctors who came to know of this unexpected support from the ruling establishment were seen praising Dr. Yathindra.

CM upset with doctors' irresponsibility

Bengaluru, Nov.4- Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has taken strong exception to the strike call given by the private hospitals terming it an act of irresponsibility by the Doctors.

Reacting to the strike call by the doctors of private establishments against the KPME (Amendments) Bill, he said that the strike was uncalled for when discussions were still on about the Bill. The Bill that has been proposed is before the Joint Committee. A discussion is going to be held on this in the Legislature.

Health and Family Welfare Department Additional Chief Secretary Ajay Seth said that the Government at any cost will not take an unilateral decision. The opinion of the experts will be gathered before a final decision is taken.

In the Amendments suggested to the Bill, it is said that the patients must be made aware of their rights. At the District-level there should be a Complaint Redressal Cell. There should be uniform treatment fees and actual cost of the treatment should be charged were some of the points raised in the Bill. There is scope for discussions on all these issues, he said.

SSLC student goes missing

Mysuru, Nov. 4- A 16-year-old boy, who reportedly scored less marks in the recently held exam, is said to be missing from city.

Preetham

According to a complaint lodged at Kuvempunagar Police Station by the boy's parents, Preetham, an SSLC student of Maharshi Public School in city, has left behind a note in Kannada to his mother stating not to search for him, before leaving the house.

Illegal mining: Panel favours handing over CBI cases to SIT

Bengaluru, Nov.4- With the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) opting out of the probe into some of the illegal iron ore export cases from Karnataka, the Cabinet Sub-Committee (CSC) on implementation of the Lokayukta Report on illegal mining is now all set to recommend handing over the same cases to the Special Investigation Team (SIT) of the Karnataka Lokayukta Police.

This comes in the backdrop of criticism that Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, who made the Lokayukta report an issue in the 2013 Assembly polls, has done little to implement it. The move also comes a day after BJP National President Amit Shah flagged off *Parivartana Yatra*, where he dubbed the Congress-led Government "the most corrupt in the country." The cases pertain, for a large part, when the BJP was in power in Karnataka. The CBI that was probing cases of alleged illegal export of iron ore of more than 50,000 tonnes, had recently written to the Government saying they were closing preliminary enquiries into the cases, as they "did not find prima facie case made out to set the law in motion."

The Lokayukta report on illegal mining named 130 companies — 76 in Mangaluru and 54 in Belekeri — for illegally exporting 3.65 lakh tonnes of iron ore. Following a 2012 Supreme Court order, all cases in which companies exported more than 50,000 tonnes of ore were being probed by the CBI, and cases where less than 50,000 tonnes of ore was exported were being probed by the SIT. While CBI has closed all preliminary enquiries, the SIT has filed as many as 72 cases and filed charge-sheets in 22 cases, said Minister for Law and Parliamentary Affairs, T.B. Jayachandra.

"The CSC discussed the issue and favoured ordering a SIT probe or any other investigation agency to take the issue to its logical end. But the Committee is in favour of SIT. However, the Govt. will take a final call on the issue in the next Cabinet meeting. The worth of alleged illegal iron ore exported is around 5,000 crore, maybe even more," said H.K. Patil, Chairman of the CSC and Minister for Rural Development and Panchayat Raj.

Ramdas accuses Congress Govt. of voter-list rigging; seeks probe

Former Minister S.A. Ramdas, President of Karnataka Pradesh Hotel Owners' Association M. Rajendra and other leaders seen with some of the voters whose names were deleted from the voters' list.

Mysuru, Nov. 4 (PM) - Former Minister S.A. Ramdas has sought a judicial probe into what he described as 'voters list capturing or voters list rigging.' He alleged that the State Government was misusing its powers to get officials to delete the names of voters from the voters list by citing that they are either dead or have relocated so as to facilitate the victory of the Congress in the ensuing 2018 Assembly election.

Parading the voters who have been "declared dead" before media at a private hotel in city yesterday, Ramdas claimed that the ruling party ensured the deletion of thousands of names from voters list in BJP-dominated wards in its desperate bid to win the Assembly elections.

"The BJP has tracked the deletion and addition of voters' names in Nanjangud during the last by-polls and now, the Congress government is misusing the administrative machinery to delete voters' names in Krishnaraja, Chamaraja and Narasimharaja constituencies in Mysuru city and also Chamundeshwari constituency where Chief Minister Siddharamaiah is likely to contest," he said.

Ramdas alleged the hand of K.R. MLA M.K. Somashekar of the Congress in the irregularities in K.R. Constituency list. Alleging that 4,794 voters in K.R., 5,642 voters in Chamaraja, 3,416 voters in N.R. and 11,212 voters in Chamundeshwari constituency were deleted from the voter list in a hurried manner, the BJP leader lashed out at the Congress saying that the ruling party had indulged in voter-list capturing and voter-list rigging.

Claiming that the Congress legislators were specifically targeting BJP pocket boroughs while deleting names from the voters' list, the former Minister warned that he would wage a legal battle if the irregularities were not corrected.

Urging the government to order a probe into the "manipulation" of the voter list and deletion of names in violation of the People's Representation Act, Ramdas said the probe should also reveal those who permitted the deletion and those who are involved in it.

Alleging that the Congress has got names deleted from the voter list based on intelligence report which pointed to a BJP victory, he said a special drive should be conducted to include genuine voters in the list.

Teachers and anganawadi workers used as booth-level officers are being "misused" to favour the ruling Congress party as they were asked to delete the names in 148 out of 223 booths that gave the BJP a lead in Assembly and Lok Sabha elections, he said.

Exhibiting 3,000 applications filled by one person alone, he alleged that names were deleted by either claiming that the voters had shifted their homes or passed away, though, in fact, many of them are still alive and living at the same addresses. The voters whose names are deleted from the list declaring they were "dead" were also paraded before the media. These voters will also lodge criminal and cheating cases with the Police for name deletion, he said.

Tracing the origin of the episode in the three Assembly constituencies of the city, Ramdas said that, "MLA Somashekar has written a letter to the Deputy Commissioner on July 28, seeking deletion of the 'unauthorised' names in the voters list. On July 29, the DC has written a letter to the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) Commissioner, directing him to take measures to revise the voters' list, citing the MLA's letter. In the letter dated August 4, the MCC Commissioner has directed his Zonal Commissioners, Revenue Officers, and Assistant Revenue Officers to verify the voters list and to report within 15 days, again citing the MLA's letter."

"Except the Election Commission and the voters concerned, nobody is authorised to seek a revision of the voters' list. By asking the DC to revise the voters' list, the MLA has violated the law. By following the MLA's directions, both the DC and the MCC Commissioner and their subordinate officials have erred. No procedure has been followed and the process has been completed in a hurry. So, a complaint has been lodged with the Election Commission (EC) in this connection on Oct. 13. Even as the EC was probing the complaint, the Tahsildar in the MCC, responsible for election work, has been transferred to Chikkaballapura," he pointed out. **He said that he will initiate a legal battle against the rigging from Nov. 7.**

"Dead" voter sends *vadas*

Veena, a roadside chat vendor in Vidyaranyapuram, sent *vadas* to MLA Somashekar for listing her as dead in the voter- list. Stating that she is alive selling chats, Veena couriered *vadas* to the local legislator along with a photocopy of Aadhaar and Voter ID cards.

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'It is Government's prerogative to celebrate anybody's Jayanti as long as it is not contrary to law'

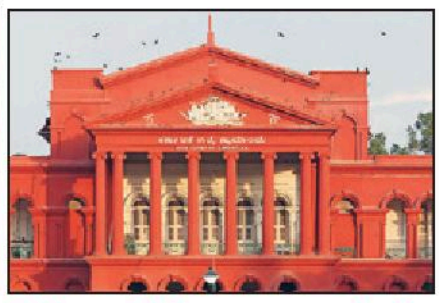
PIL hearing on Tipu Jayanti adjourned to Nov. 7

Bengaluru, Nov.4- The Karnataka High Court yesterday adjourned the hearing of a Public Interest Litigation (PIL) challenging the celebration of Tipu Jayanti by the State Government, to Nov.7 (Tuesday). The PIL, filed by Kokkalemada P. Manju Chinnappa from South Kodagu, was heard by a Division Bench comprising Acting Chief Justice H.G. Ramesh and Justice P.S. Dinesh Kumar.

Manjunath prayed the Court to quash the Government's circular dated Oct.24 issued to celebrate Tipu Jayanti across the State, especially in Kodagu. The petitioner alleged that Tipu had killed hundreds of Kodavas, and carried out conversions too.

The Counsel for the petitioner, in his argument, pointed out that South Canara and Kodagu were not part of Tipu's original empire, and were later annexed.

Justice H.G. Ramesh, asked the Counsel, "What is the global scenario? Can you give examples of birthdays being celebrated in other countries?" To this, the Counsel informed the Court that former US President Abraham Lincoln's birthday in the USA was a national holiday. The Chief Justice asked, "What were the parameters for the judiciary to pass judgment in this case? "Someone else might come and say no to Kanaka Jayanti. We cannot sit and pass judgment on all Jayantis," he said.



"As far as my knowledge of history goes, he is not a freedom fighter, but a ruler of a princely State. What is the use of celebrating this? As the British fought a war against Nizam of Hyderabad, Tipu fought to save his kingdom. Tipu would have fought even against the Nizam to defend his territory. This being the case, can we call the Nizam a freedom fighter?", former Chief Justice S.K. Mukherjee had remarked.

The Counsel said if a painful incident had occurred in 1792 — the year when Tipu allegedly carried out a forcible conversion of Kodavas to Muslims — it was a short period in terms of history.

The Chief Justice said that the celebration had to be contrary to law for them to intervene and observed that the main grounds for the PIL were whether the expenditure on the event was permissible by law and no other grounds were accepted by the Bench.

On the Counsel's claim that the event hurt public sentiment, the Chief Justice observed, "The Constitution of India reflects the will of entire India but the Governments of the day reflect the will of the majority." On the Counsel's question as to why the Government was thrusting the celebration on certain people, the Bench remarked that no one was compelled to participate in the functions.

Advocate General Madhusudhan R. Naik, arguing against the PIL, questioned the timing of the PIL, considering that another PIL on the same issue filed by the same applicant last year was disposed of.

"He had time since November 2016. Having kept quiet all this time, he has filed the PIL a few days before Tipu Jayanti. He has cut and pasted last year's petition," he said. He claimed that the applicant had done so to gain publicity for the issue, and had no legal grounds.

On the Counsel's request, the Court granted him time and set the next hearing for Tuesday.

Petition filed in 2016 too

It may be recalled here that in 2016 too, Kokkalemada P. Manju Chinnappa had filed a petition against the celebration of Tipu Jayanti. Disposing of the petition, the **High Court directed the petitioner to make a representation to the State Chief Secretary to consider the objections raised against the event by him.**

The order was issued by a two-member Division Bench headed by the then Chief Justice Subhro Kamal Mukherjee on Nov.3. Before passing the order, the Judges questioned the Govt. on the logic behind celebrating 'Tipu Jayanti' observing that he wasn't a freedom fighter, but **a monarch who fought to safeguard his interests.**

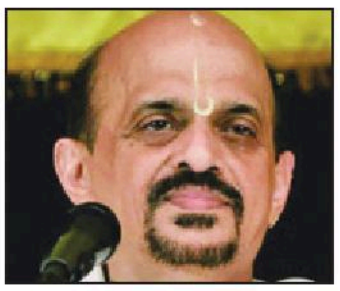
The petitioner had claimed that Tipu was a butcher, as he is stated to have slaughtered hundreds of Kodavas during his reign. He further claimed that during 2015 Tipu Jayanti celebrations, there were violent protests in Kodagu district and other parts of the State, resulting in a law and order situation.

2018 Battle for Chamundeshwari in Mysuru

BJP may field Dr. Vidyabhushana against Siddharamaiah

Bengaluru, Nov. 4- The prestigious Chamundeshwari Assembly Constituency in Mysuru will witness a high-pitched electoral battle in 2018 Assembly elections as Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has already made it clear that he would fight the election here. As soon as the CM made this announcement, there was a flutter among the rival political parties and sitting Chamundeshwari MLA G.T. Devegowda announced that he was fully prepared to fight Siddharamaiah.

Close on the heels of these developments BJP, not to be left behind, is contemplating to field the noted classical singer and former Seer of Kukke Subramanya Mutt Dr. Vidyabhushana in the constituency. BJP sources said that External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj is taking the initiative to bring in the Vidwan into the party fold and convince him to fight the elections and she has already discussed the issue with him.



Dr. Vidyabhushana

Dr. Vidyabhushana is settled in Bengaluru and sources said that he has expressed his willingness to contest against the CM with the active backing of the party and its leaders. Sources also said that the final decision of the Vidwan contesting the election depends on the approval of Udupi Pejawar Mutt Seer Sri Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji.

Mammoth protest against Tipu Jayanti on Nov. 8

Mysuru, Nov.4 (US)- Tipu Jayanti Virodhi Horata Samiti had organised a seminar at Jaganmohan Palace here on Tuesday. Inaugurating the seminar, Advocate Thejaswi Surya said that CM Siddharamaiah was going ahead with the celebration of Tipu Jayanti despite severe opposition from many quarters which clearly indicates the purpose as vote-bank.

He alleged that Tipu was not secular and celebrating his Jayanti would lead to support of organisations like KFD, PFI and SDPI. He regretted that the history of Tipu was being deliberately distorted for political advantage.

Christian leader Robert Rosario and Advocate M. Abhimanyu Kumar also spoke. Former Minister S.A. Ramdas, advocate P.D. Medappa, Hindu Jagran Vedike Convener M.K. Premkumar & VHP leader Muralidhar were present.

Advocate Thejaswi Surya announced that the Samiti will take out a protest rally against Tipu Jayanti on Nov.8 in city which would be led by MP Pratap Simha and MLA C.T. Ravi.

Appointment of VCs for Bangalore, Mysore Varsities

Governor-Chancellor takes Higher Education Minister to task

Bengaluru, Nov.4- Governor Vajubhai R. Vala, who is also the Chancellor of all State Universities, has reportedly taken Higher Education Minister Basavaraj Rayareddy to task for sending the rejected list of Vice-Chancellors for Bangalore University and University of Mysore (UoM), for the second time.

Vajubhai

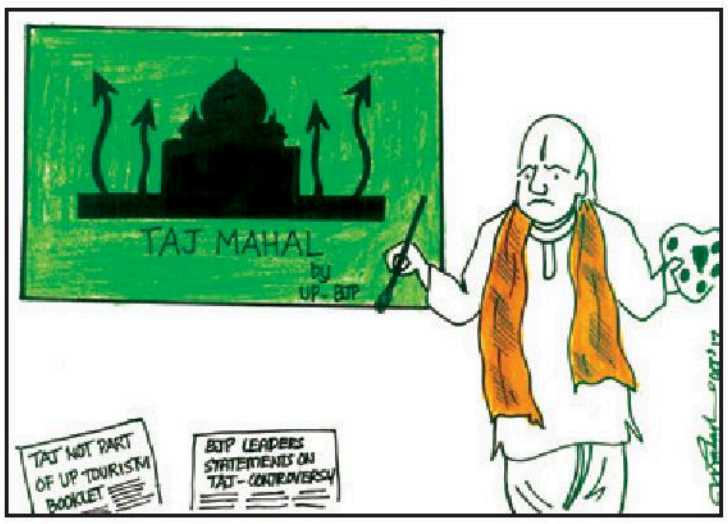
Rayareddy

The VC Selection Committee had recommended the names of C.P. Siddashrama as VC of UoM and that of Dr. Sangameshwar Patil for Bangalore University.

Governor Vala, rejecting the list had asked the Government to submit a fresh list. But the Government sent the rejected list once again to the Governor, which irked him.

Governor Vala, taking the matter seriously, has asked the Minister to submit a fresh list of names, it is learnt.

TEASER By N. Prakash



Handicrafts Expo begins

Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, who inaugurated the Handicrafts Expo at the Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB Road in city yesterday, is seen taking a look at an artefact on display. Former Mayor Purushottam, Corporator P. Prashanth, Shivakumar and others are seen.

Mysuru, Nov. 4- The Karnataka State Handicrafts Development Corporation Ltd. (KSHDCL) has organised an Exhibition-cum-Sale of Handicrafts at the Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB Road in city. The seven-day exhibition was inaugurated yesterday by Mayor M.J. Ravikumar and it will remain open till Nov. 9 from 10 am to 9.30 pm.

The uniqueness of this exhibition is that the artisans are displaying their products and there are no middlemen involved. The Corporation has created an opportunity for the customers to directly interact and purchase the items from them.

Some of the products on display include wooden carvings, bronze figures, terracotta items, papier mache art, woollen rugs, Tanjore, Mysuru style paintings, Chanderi, Patola sarees, silver miniatures, cane products, decorated dry flowers, Chikken embroidery, iron artefacts from Uttar Pradesh, products from Chattisgarh, Bihar's Madhubani paintings, lac bangles and other items.

Corporator P. Prashanth, KSHDCL Director V. Varalakshmi, District Industries Centre Joint Director H. Ramakrishne Gowda and Asst. Director, Development Commissioner (Handicrafts), Mysuru, P. Shashidar were present.

Anniversary of Rajeev Balaga's Swachh Bharat Abhiyan on Nov. 5

Mysuru, Nov. 4 (SP&VNS)- The third anniversary of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan taken up by H.V. Rajeev Sneha Balaga in Mysuru will be held at Nityotsava Convention Hall, near Ballal Circle on Nov. 5 (Sunday) at 11 am.

H.V. Rajeev

Addressing a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan in city yesterday, H.V. Rajeev said that the function will be inaugurated by Union Minister of State Ramesh Jigajinagi.

Former Minister V. Sreenivasa Prasad will release a documentary on Swachh Bharat Abhiyan.

Later, MP Pratap Simha will distribute financial aid to talented kids of Pourakarmikas.

The Sneha Balaga will also felicitate 15 members of Pourakarmika families who have ventured into other professions.

Sri Mokshatmanandaji of Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru, will grace the occasion.

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Voter list rigging: MLA Somashekar rubbishes Ramdas' allegations

Mysuru, Nov.4 (PM&DM)- Rubbishing former Minister and BJP leader S.A. Ramdas' allegation that the ruling Congress was indulging in voter list capturing and voter list rigging ahead of the 2018 Assembly polls, Krishnaraja MLA M.K. Somashekar has demanded a CBI probe to unearth the truth.

Somashekar

Addressing a press conference at Pathrakartara Bhavan here this morning, Somashekar in a counter to Ramdas' allegation made yesterday, said that it was the BJP which was indulged in electoral roll malpractices.

In support of his claim, Somashekar said that there were 2,16,623 voters in K.R. Constituency for the May 2013 Assembly polls. But the number jumped to 2,28,626 voters as on March 16, 2014 ahead of the Lok Sabha polls, he said wondering how come over 12,000 voters were added to the voter list in just one year. He further alleged that more than 7,000 voters were illegally added to the voter list in Feb. 2014 alone.

Citing an example, Somashekar said that the house in which Ramdas lived at Srirampura earlier had no occupants now. But still, Ramdas has been successful in including 5 voters from that house, which explains who is indulged in voter list irregularities.

As another example, Somashekar alleged that the KR voter list showed 11 voters from one house in Sl.No. 347, part 48, when actually only an aged couple lived there and all such irregularities were the handiwork of Ramdas.

Alleging that a few officials of the election branch in MCC were hand-in-glove with Ramdas, the MLA alleged that the BJP does not believe in fair polls.

Accusing the BJP of making false charges with the Assembly polls round the corner, the MLA reiterated his demand for a CBI probe into Ramdas' allegations to find out the truth.

Corporators Sunil Kumar and Sunil, K.R. Constituency congress leader Somashekar were present during the press conference.

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KSRTC buses to Mysore Airport

Mysuru, Nov.4 (NNN)- In order to facilitate the air passengers, who fly out of Mysore Airport, Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) has arranged bus service from various locations in city. The buses will ply from L&T via Infosys, Hebbal, Vontikoppal, Railway Station and City Bus Stand and reach Mysore Airport.

The bus will leave L&T at 5.05 pm and reach the Airport at 6.25 pm. It will leave Mysore Airport at 7 pm and reach L&T at 8.20 pm, according to a press release from the KSRTC Divisional Controller.

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Renting to Foreigners: Know the Law

IN BLACK & WHITE

Vikram Muthanna

Earlier foreign students were seen as the ideal tenants to have. Most landlords preferred them to Indian students because they assumed foreign students could be charged more, that they would pay rent on time, were well-behaved, and could be vacated without much trouble. But this is not true anymore.

Recently, the Committee of an Apartment Complex in Mysuru sent a "secret" letter to the apartment owners requesting them not to rent out their apartments to foreign students, particularly students from the Middle East. Their reason was that the students were throwing loud parties and violating apartment rules.

Foreign students are just as good or troublesome as Indian students. But Indian landlords feel that renting out their homes to foreign students could complicate matters. Reportedly, even a Police complaint against them could lead to their country's Consulate getting involved — a problem that no landlord wants to deal with.

This negative word of mouth is making it difficult for foreign students to rent homes. To make matters worse, there is a recent rule that makes it even harder for foreign students to rent a place. This rule also makes it difficult for landlords who previously didn't care who they rented their homes to.

Since 2008, landlords have had to be responsible for their tenants, more so, if the tenant is a foreigner. But many don't seem to be aware of this rule, and end up like Ashwatha Narayana Reddy, 54, a resident of Kalyan Nagar, Bengaluru.

Ashwatha Narayana Reddy had rented out a flat in Bengaluru to two students from Africa. These two students had overstayed their visa and now the Police have made Reddy an accused and charged him with abetting the illegal overstay of his tenants.

Reddy is fighting his case in High Court. If the Police prove him guilty, abetting a foreign national to overstay could mean a prison sentence or a hefty fine for Mr. Reddy!

Karnataka has the highest number of foreign students in India. According to Human Resource Development (HRD) Ministry, Karnataka has 38% of total foreign students studying in India. Now, Mysuru too is attracting a lot of foreign students, both for yoga and academics. So it is important that the landlords know how to rent or lease their property.

Indians renting their place to foreigners are now required to:

1. Check the tenant's passport for identity and make sure their Visa is valid and retain a photocopy of both.
2. The landowner who is giving their property for rent to a foreigner should create a rental agreement only for the duration of the validity of their Visa.
3. The landlord then must submit the details of the residing foreigner in Form C to the Registration authorities within 24 hours of the foreigner's arrival at their premises.

To do this, the landlord must first register himself online at *https://indianfrro.gov.in/frro/*FormC. Once the landlord is effectively registered and verified, they must generate a Form C for each individual staying in their premises even if they are a part of the principal registrant's family.

If you do not have internet access, you can visit the local Foreigners Regional Registration Office (FRRO), which is in the Mysuru City Police Commissioner's Office premises.

This tenant verification becomes relevant today as we live in times of terror attacks. In Karnataka, tenant verification by the landlord was made mandatory after Yasin Bhatkal, the alleged mastermind of the Chinnaswamy Stadium twin blasts, stayed in a rented room in Tumakuru building bombs.

In Delhi, apartment owners can be prosecuted under Section 188 of IPC, which is disobedience of a government order, if they do not verify their tenants and later if such tenants were found by Police to have criminal antecedents. The punishment for the landlord could be 1-6 months jail term.

Two years ago, Bhawani Shankar, resident of Safdarjung Enclave in South Delhi, rented his apartment without proper verification and in violation of the Delhi Police's notification. He was sentenced to three months in jail. The Metropolitan Magistrate, while passing the judgement said, "The act of the accused (Shankar) may seem not so serious but the violation of law might have resulted in escaping of anti-social elements and sometimes terrorists from the arm of the law. Hence, it is time to take such notifications very seriously and a time to create deterrent effect of not following the law in such circumstances."

For Indians who are averse to paperwork, this surely is not an ideal situation. But it's an important step towards better security.

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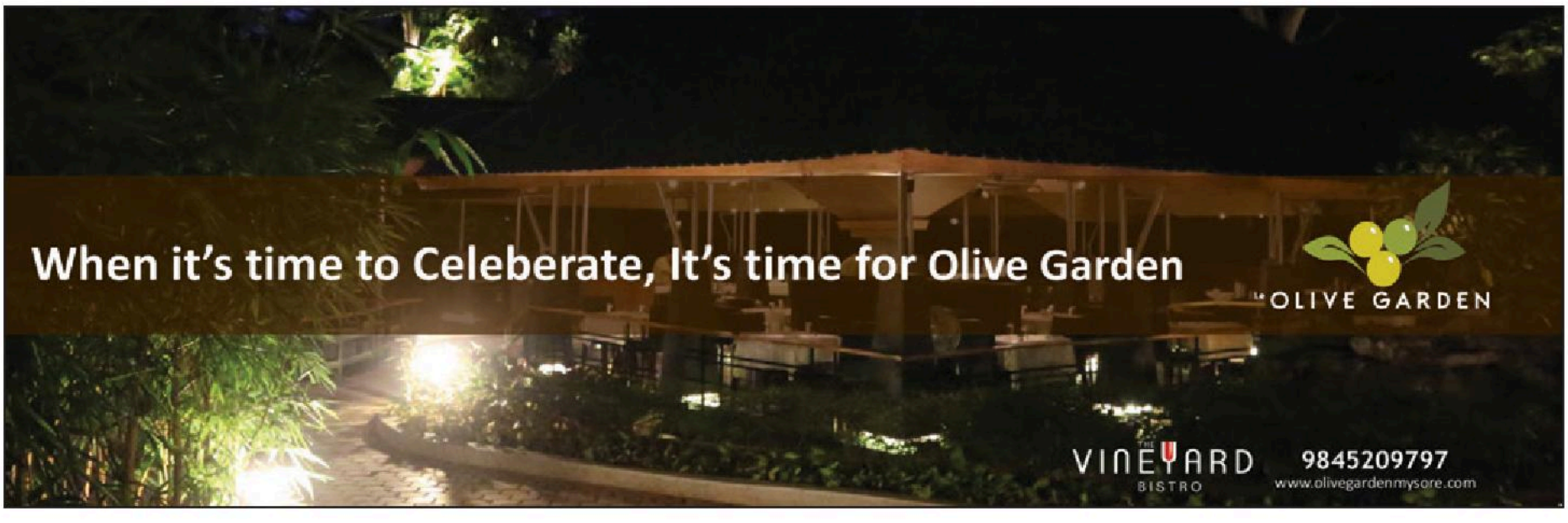

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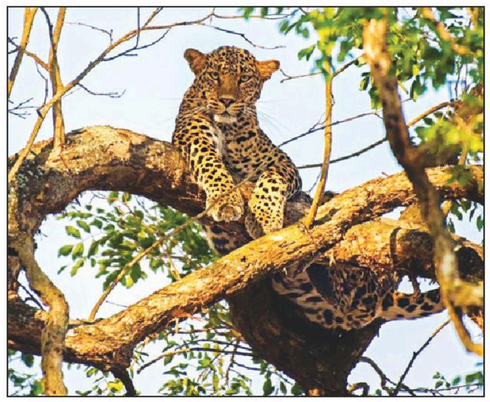
Bandipur
Beckons Tourists

Rain or shine, when it comes to eco-tourism, Bandipur takes the cake. Thousands of tourists flock the Tiger Reserve to have a glimpse of animals in their natural habitat and behaviour. Tourists encounter these incredible animals here which are a visual treat to watch and an absolute joy to capture on camera. With monsoon ending and winter stepping in, Bandipur is in full glory now and is the best time to visit. This *Weekend Star Supplement* presents a visual and informative tour of the Tiger Reserve which continues to draw tourists from far and wide.

BANDIPUR: The Kanha of the South

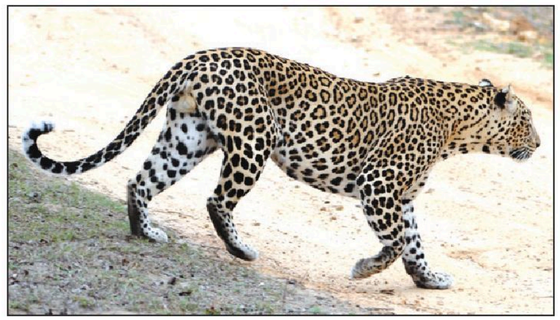


By Somashekar

Destination Bandipur seems to be the buzzword for tourists, wildlife enthusiasts and ecological tourists who are making a beeline to the famed Tiger Reserve. Come weekends and holidays, tourists flock the vast green expanse that is Bandipur which is renowned for showcasing spectacular sightings of majestic animals in their natural habitat.

Tourists encounter these incredible animals here which are a visual treat to watch and an absolute joy to capture on camera. The Tiger Reserve has been attracting a steady number of visitors all round the year and tourists who have spotted a tiger or two even call it the **Kanha (Kanha Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh) of the South.**

Instead of heading to Kanha, tourists have a better reason to visit Bandipur due to its increased green cover thanks to copious rains after summer months. In January 2017, the Tiger Reserve looked like a desolated place with forest fires, dried up lakes and other waterholes and where animals were migrating to nearby forest areas like Kabini, Nagarahole and Mudumalai in search of food and water.



Early this year, Bandipur was going through one of the worst spells of drought and was ravaged by major forest fires that also claimed the life of a forest guard in Kalkare range. Vast tracts of forests and vegetation were reduced to ashes in the fire that occurred in the first three months of 2017. The worst affected ranges were Kalkare, Gundre, Maleyur and Gopalaswamy Hills.

Rains that lashed in March and April and also post-monsoon showers changed the face of the Bandipur forest. Apart from cooling the atmosphere, rains filled up over 500 lakes and ponds inside the forest, thus reversing the migration process. Fresh grass, bamboo shoots, sprouting leaves attracted herbivores animals and they in-turn were a feast for carnivores.

Bandipur National Park is spread across 1,02,700 hectares (1,027 sq kms) and the forest area covers a total of 13 ranges including three in Bandipur, four in Gundlupet and six in Hediyala. Bandipur is also a home for many endangered wildlife and also provides refuge to other threatened and vulnerable flora and fauna species.

Apart from being a Tiger Reserve, Bandipur supports a good population of species like Indian elephants, gaurs, sloth bears, muggers, Indian rock pythons, four-horned antelopes, black bucks, jackals and dholes, leopards, spotted deer, mouse deer, civet cats, spectacled cobras and others.

It also supports a wide range of plants and tree species including teak, rosewood, sandalwood, Indian-laurel, Indian kino tree, giant clumping bamboo, clumping bamboo and others. There are a number of flowering and fruiting tree species like kadam, Indian gooseberry, crape-myrtle, axlewood, black myrobalan, flame of the forest, golden shower tree and others.

Among most commonly found birds in Bandipur are peafowl, grey jungle fowl and crows. It is believed that the National forest is home for over 200 species of birds such as honey buzzards, red-headed vultures, Indian vultures, flower-peckers, hoopoes, Indian rollers, brown fish owls, crested serpent eagles, changeable hawk-eagles, bee-eaters and others.

Bandipur houses about 150 tigers. The department had recorded a total of 135 tigers during 2015 census, 142 during 2016 census and the population is expected to be more this year. The department has taken around 8,000 photographs of tigers using 399 dual cameras at different locations. These photographs will be compared and thoroughly checked before coming out with the exact figures this year, said forest officials.

[Prince still missed: Turn to Page-12]

GAJ YATRA: Spreading awareness about elephant corridors

In India there is a serious threat to elephant habitats due to human settlements. Persistent growth in the human population has infringed upon the thick wild habitats of elephants. Given that their migratory routes are cut off by human settlements, a campaign called 'Gaj Yatra' has begun to raise awareness about the contracting space for India's wild elephants and their corridors.

'Gaj Yatra', which kicked off on Aug. 12 this year on World Elephant Day, will cover 12 elephant range States in India. This campaign, which is collaborated by the International Fund for Animal Welfare (IFAW), Wildlife Trust of India (WTI), The Ministry of Environment and Forests (MoEF) and other NGOs, will be the greatest campaign planned around India's wildlife elephants. This campaign, which will run over a period of 15 months, is expected to pass through Karnataka in about a few weeks.

Karnataka, being the elephant capital of the country, has recorded the highest density of elephants according to the 2017 census. Elephants are found in 33 forest divisions. The results show an overall density of 0.67 elephants per square kilometre over a range of 8,976 square kilometres suggesting a total of 6,049 elephants.

The elephant density in Karnataka is mainly concentrated in the forests of Nagarahole Tiger Reserve (1.54 elephants per Sq. Km), Bandipur Tiger Reserve (1.13 elephants per Sq. Km) and Bhadra Tiger Reserve (1.12 elephants per Sq. Km).

Previously, with the intervention of Karnataka Forest Department, several acres of land was bought from private parties and included in the elephant corridor. Experts also claim that in the past 16 years, only six corridors have been secured in Karnataka out of 11. Among these, 11 corridors that pass through Karnataka, four run within the State and the others inter-link with neighbouring States like Tamil Nadu and Kerala. According to experts, acquisition of 829.5 acres in Karnataka will secure the crucial passage for herds of elephants to pass through without any impediments.

Vanishing passages within the woods through which the elephant migrates without human disturbance is a major hindrance in the way of conservation. Thus there is a huge concern to rehabilitate villagers which requires help from the government.

There have been several incidents of elephant herds raiding farmlands and villages that fall in between their migratory routes. Experts assert that such human-elephant encounters to be the main cause of elephant deaths in India. Elephant experts have identified the need to protect these 101 corridors in the country to ensure a win-win situation for humans and elephants.

Catering to this encroachment of elephant corridors by humans, 'Gaj Yatra' aims to spread awareness about the problem that is plaguing Indian wildlife.

PRINCE STILL MISSED

The death of Prince, the most photographed Tiger in Bandipur Tiger Reserve, in April this year has not been forgotten by wildlife enthusiasts. The carcass of the tiger was found two-days after its death near Lokkare in Kundkere zone.

Though the lifespan of tigers in the wild is said to be 10 years, Prince lived for 14 years and had established its territory spanning about 45 kilometres. It killed four tigers in territorial fights and had recovered from serious injuries. Though the tiger had died owing to natural causes (as claimed by the Forest Department), its snout had been chopped off by miscreants for its canines.

The death of Prince has actually helped forest officials to sight more tigers. Prince, which never tolerated other tigers entering into its territory has fought with many tigers and killed four. Now with the death of Prince, other tigers are able to roam around freely along with their cubs.

Says Darshan Kumar, wildlife photographer: "Prince used to entertain tourists and photographers for hours together. To see him one did not have to go to the core area. Rather, he used to come on your way and he loved attention. With his death now we are seeing more tigers. Still, Prince is being terribly missed."

In the absence of Prince, tigers can commonly be seen at Moorkere, Hulikatte, Kadamathurkatte, Devvadakatte, Anekatte, Nanjanapura Katte, Gudde Kolachi, and Wesley Circle — the main safari area.

Bandipur Tiger Reserve

Details of Visitors & Revenue realised through Eco-tourism

MONTH	VISITORS			REVENUE IN RUPEES
	Indian	Foreigner	Total	
2015-16				
Apr-2015	12,977	59	13,036	34,00,945.00
May-2015	22,089	51	22,140	58,33,270.00
Jun-2015	13,359	65	13,424	37,07,680.00
Jul-2015	12,920	78	12,998	36,14,670.00
Aug-2015	12,950	141	13,091	36,05,625.00
Sep-2015	10,107	62	10,169	27,56,370.00
Oct-2015	17,524	111	17,635	46,19,250.00
Nov-2015	11,813	155	11,968	32,41,410.00
Dec-2015	15,419	138	15,557	42,90,705.00
Jan-2016	14,737	204	14,941	43,27,725.00
Feb-2016	8,416	138	8,554	26,24,710.00
Mar-2016	11,501	128	11,629	34,71,320.00
Total	**1,63,812**	**1,330**	**1,65,142**	**4,54,93,680.00**
2016-17				
Apr-2016	14,386	191	14,577	60,84,640.00
May-2016	29,813	157	29,970	90,19,060.00
Jun-2016	16,045	136	16,181	54,01,770.00
Jul-2016	15,708	284	15,992	53,62,220.00
Aug-2016	12,640	275	12,915	43,83,400.00
Sep-2016	10,169	206	10,375	35,34,735.00
Oct-2016	16,578	371	16,949	57,61,820.00
Nov-2016	12,890	487	13,377	46,42,755.00
Dec-2016	17,849	455	18,304	57,17,580.00
Jan-2017	13,709	741	14,450	53,43,590.00
Feb-2017	7,210	764	7,974	35,26,280.00
Mar-2017	7,754	396	8,150	31,02,930.00
Total	**1,74,751**	**4,463**	**1,79,214**	**6,18,80,780.00**
2017-18				
Apr-2017	**14,298**	**211**	**14,509**	**42,85,010.00**

198 Civil Police Constables pass out from City PTS

H. Nagarajappa is seen receiving the overall trophy from City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao during the passing out parade in city this morning. Also seen are (from left) DCP (CAR) B.V. Kittur, DCP (Crime and Traffic) Dr. Vikram V. Amathe and DCP (Law and Order) N. Vishnuvardhana.

Mysuru, Nov. 4 (RK&VNS) - There is a need for Police to use the latest technology to work efficiently, said City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao, here this morning.

Speaking at the passing out parade of 5th batch of Civil Police Constables from Mysuru City Police Training School (PTS) at CAR Grounds, he advised the newly passed out Constables to also work on enhancing their skills.

He asked the Constables to balance between their personal and professional life as it was important to lead a good life.

Stating it was important for Police to earn the respect of the people, the city's top cop added that once the respect and faith was earned, there would be no work for lathies or other forces.

The PTS also honoured Constables who had performed well during their eight-month training since Feb. 2017. The school felicitated guest lecturers, instructors and lecturers for enlightening the trainees on different aspects.

DCP N. Vishnuvardhana administered the oath of office to 198 newly-recruited Constables. DCP (CAR) and PTS Principal B.V. Kittur, KARP Mounted Company Deputy Commandant Praveen Alva and others were present. The following are the winners in various categories:

Indoor: 1. H. Nagarajappa (Davanagere), 2. T.C. Vijayakumara (Davanagere), 3. K. Shivakumar Nayaka (Bengaluru).

Outdoor: 1. H. Nagarajappa (Davanagere), 2. T.C. Vijayakumara (Davanagere), 3. C. Venkatesh (Tumakuru).

Rifle Shooting: 1. Pujara Ganesh (Davanagere) and K. Mahesh (Bengaluru), 2. Ramesh S. Hiremani (Belagavi City), 3. H. Nagarajappa (Davanagere).

All Round Best: H. Nagarajappa (Davanagere).

DG and IGP Award: Prabhakara Suresh Bhosi (Belagavi City).

Could not attend BJP rally for personal reasons: Prasad

Prasad

Mysuru, Nov.4 (RK&DM)- Maintaining that he could not attend the inauguration of BJP's Parivartana Yatra at Bengaluru on Nov.2 purely for personal reasons, State BJP Vice-President and former Minister V. Sreenivasa Prasad has rubbished reports in a section of the Press that he was being sidelined in the party.

Addressing a press meet at a private hotel here this morning, Prasad clarified that he was not at all sidelined.

Claiming that all BJP leaders have been treating him with respect after he joined the party in January this year, Prasad said that he had no reason to feel disappointed. Asserting that he was very much engaged in building the party's organisation, he said that his sole aim was to bring the BJP to power in the 2018 Assembly polls.

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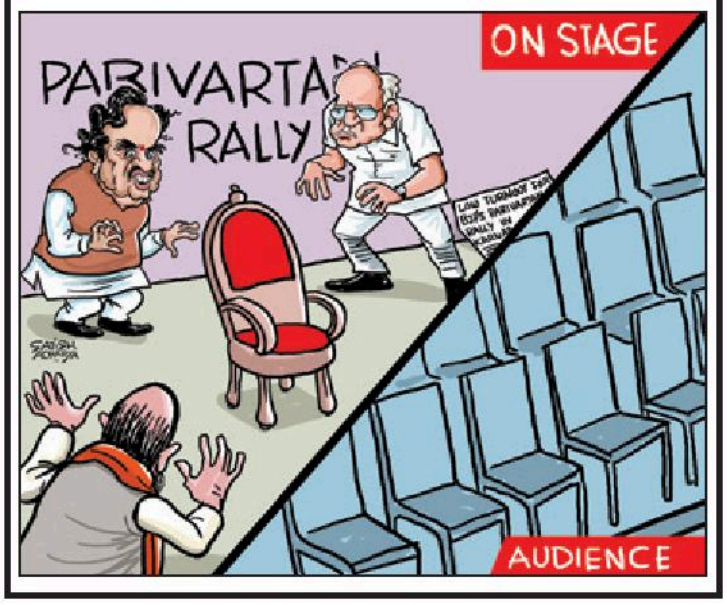
By Satish Acharya



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Missing concrete slab posing danger near Palace

A missing concrete slab on the stretch between Hardinge Circle and Chamaraja Circle near the Palace is posing danger to motorists as well as the public. Authorities concerned are urged to replace the missing slab at the earliest before any fatalities take place.

Plea to clear garbage in Rajivnagar

Heaps of garbage dumped near Siddappa Temple in Rajivnagar 2nd Stage is causing a lot of inconvenience to the residents living in its surroundings as foul smell is emanating from the spot. Also, many vacant plots have overgrown bushes and shrubs grown on it resulting in the place becoming a shelter to many reptiles. Authorities concerned are urged to get the garbage cleared and also warn vacant site owners to keep their premises clean.

Focus on *Mathrupoorna* Scheme: DC Randeep tells officials

Randeep

Mysuru, Nov. 4 - Deputy Commissioner (DC) D. Randeep has asked the officials to focus more on implementation of the Government's ambitious *Mathrupoorna* scheme aimed at providing nutrition-rich food to pregnant women and lactating mothers through Anganawadi Kendras.

Speaking at a progress review meeting of various departments concerned with the implementation of the Prime Minister's 15 point-programme recently, he instructed the officials to collect information on the number of minority Anganawadi Kendras and the number of children enrolled in them.

The DC also directed the MCC officials to gather statistics on the number of minorities living in huts and to provide them housing under housing schemes.

Minorities Welfare Department official Puttaraju said that the Department has identified three-and-a-half acres land for the construction of Moulana Azad Boys and Girls Hostels.

DC Randeep asked the officials to install boards wherever the Minorities Welfare Department is executing developmental works and to expedite the ongoing works.

State Wakf Council Member Subhan, PM's 15-point programme nominated member Suresh Kumar Jain, Mohammed Rafiq, Arokia Das and others attended the meeting.

Breast cancer survivors attend patient get-together at V-LEAD

Mysuru, Nov.4 - To mark the National Breast Cancer Awareness Month -2017, Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement's Palliative Care Programme along with the Department of Oncology, K.R. Hospital, had organised a patient get-together event for breast cancer survivors on Oct. 30 at Vivekananda Institute for Leadership Development (V-LEAD), Mysuru. As many as 30 patients and their family members from in and around Mysuru participated in the event.

Dr. Mukesh, Assistant Professor, Department of Oncology, K.R. Hospital, inaugurated the event in the presence of Ramakrishna Mudre, Hon. Director, Palliative Care Programme, SVYM.

Dr. M. R. Seetharam, President, SVYM, urged the cancer survivors to be undeterred and to tap their inner strength to face the disease and overcome it. Highlighting the importance of being self-reliant, Dr. Seetharam said: "Everyone of us faces crisis in our lives. In the face of challenges, we should not bog down but instead accept it and then trust oneself to handle the challenge. The moment we trust ourselves, magic happens, several avenues open up that will boost us to tackle our crisis."

He urged the cancer survivors to form groups, share their stories which would boost their morale and also strengthen them to face the disease with rigour.

Physiotherapist Deepa said that exercises were crucial in managing cancer, post-surgery. She demonstrated simple exercises that breast cancer survivors should do regularly to reduce pain and increase agility of the body.

The women shared their experiences during the course of their illness.

Students and teachers from Queens School of Design, Mysuru, demonstrated different ways of grooming to cope with hair loss and surgical removal of breast. The students did a catwalk exhibiting myriad head gears that women cancer survivors can use to battle hair loss and be at ease.

Breast cancer awareness rally held

City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao, along with other dignitaries, is seen flagging off the breast cancer awareness rally, organised by HCG Bharath Hospital and Institute of Oncology, Mysuru, at Doddakere Maidan in city on Oct. 31. Doctors, nurses and staff of the hospital along with nursing students of various colleges took part in the rally. IMA Secretary Dr. Sujatha S. Rao, Dr. M.S. Vishweshwara, Dr. Y.S. Madhavi, Dr.C.B. Avinash, Centre Manager N. Lokesh and others were present during the event.

83rd All India Kannada Sahitya Sammelana

Dist. Minister releases posters

District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa (fourth from left) is seen releasing the posters of the 83rd All India Kannada Sahitya Sammelana at the Government House in city on Thursday as (from left) MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, MyLac Chairman H.A. Venkatesh, ZP President Nayeema Sulthana, DC D. Randeep, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Dr. Y.D. Rajanna, Karnataka Exhibition Authority Chairman B. Siddaraju and Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Chennappa look on.

Mysuru, Nov. 4 (RKB&VNS)- District in-Charge Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa released the posters of the 83rd All India Kannada Sahitya Sammelana to be held in city from Nov. 24 to Nov. 26, during the preliminary meeting held at the Government House premises here on Nov.2.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. Mahadevappa instructed the officials appointed for different committees to work extensively for the success of the event and added that the State Government had already released Rs. 6 crore out of Rs. 10 crore sought for hosting the Sammelana and assured of releasing additional funds if required.

Stating that people from all over the State would converge in Mysuru, the Minister asked the officials to ensure that accommodation, food, toilet and other basic facilities were provided to the delegates.

He also instructed the officials to take measures to provide publicity for the event.

Vigilance awareness marathon tomorrow

Mysuru, Nov. 4 (KS) - Hindustan Petroleum Corporation Limited (HPCL), Mysuru, as part of Vigilance Awareness Week, has organised a marathon in city on Nov. 5.

The marathon will be flagged off from the Oval Grounds at 6 am and will pass through Maharaja's College Grounds, Saraswathipuram Fire Brigade, Saraswathipuram 14th Main, Bake Point Circle, Kukkarahalli Lake, University Railway Gate, Kalamandira, Vinobha Road, DC Office, Krishnaraja Boulevard and will conclude at the Oval grounds.

Vigilance Awareness Week is being observed to educate the public about the corruption related practices and how to report it.

Police hold Auto Consultants meet

Mysuru, Nov. 4 (NNN)- The Narasimharaja Traffic Police held a meeting of Auto Consultants, who have their business on Sawday Road and Mission Hospital Road, coming under their limits, on Thursday.

The Police asked the Consultants to follow traffic rules and not to park the vehicles meant for selling on the roads. In case they park the vehicles on the footpaths and roads causing inconvenience to the pedestrians and the motorists, then the towing vehicle will tow away the vehicles and fines will be imposed, Police said.

The vehicles should be parked strictly following the odd and even date rules. The public must follow road rules and help the Police in the smooth flow of traffic. The Police warned that if they violate the traffic rules then stringent action will be taken against them.

The meeting was held under the direction of DCP (Traffic) Dr. Vikram V. Amathe and ACP (Traffic) K.N. Madaiah. N.R. Traffic Inspector Jayakumar chaired the meeting, according to press release from the Public Relations Officer, Police Commissioner's Office.

Trucks to go off roads from Nov.10

Mysuru, Nov.4 (SP&DM)- Transportation of various goods may be disrupted as the Truck Owners Association has threatened to go on an indefinite strike from Nov.10.

Addressing a press meet here on Thursday, District Lorry Owners Association President N. Srinivas Rao said the Transport Department has increased fees for fitness certificate, registration, driving and learning licences and other services.

The State government has not brought down the fees despite several representations, he said and added that if the government doesn't meet their demands, all lorry owners will stop operations from Nov.10.

Pointing out that there were about 4 lakh trucks in the State, Srinivas Rao, who is also the Vice-President of the Federation of Karnataka Lorry Owners Association said, earlier the fee for registration of trucks was Rs.600 and now it has been increased to Rs.1,500.

On the installation of speed governors in trucks, he said, in other States, manufacturers charge anywhere between Rs. 2,000 and Rs.3,000 for speed governors, but in Karnataka, the Transport Department has mandated lorry owners to buy speed governors from one particular company, which charges Rs.11,000.

Alleging that the Truck Terminal (TT) inaugurated by the previous government in Mysuru is yet to start functioning, Srinivas Rao claimed that the government was not giving space at the TT to agents and truck owners.

Association office-bearers Vishwanath, Mahesh, Ravi and others were present at the press meet.

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Canara Bank Cup State Ranking TT Tournament

Double crown for Rohan Jamadagni

Rohan Jamadagni

Mysuru, Nov.4- Rohan Jamadagni (GMTTA) hogged the limelight by clinching the Youth boys singles title beating Neeraj Raj (SKIES) 11-7, 11-9, 10-12, 12-10, 11-4 (he had won the Junior boys title on Thursday) and completed a fine double, in the Canara Bank Cup State Ranking Table Tennis Tournament conducted by the MDTTA at the University Gymnasium Hall here yesterday.

G. Yeshaswini (SKIES) who had won the junior and sub-junior girls singles titles yesterday completed a fine treble by clinching the Youth girls singles title too beating D. Kalyani (SKIES) 12-14, 13-11, 11-9, 11-7, 11-7 in the final.

Local girl M.V. Spoorthy (BNM) won the women's singles title beating A. Samyuktha (SBMJC) in the final 12-10, 11-6, 9-11, 4-11, 11-6, 13-11.

RESULTS

Youth Boys: Final

Rohan Jamdagni (GMTTA) bt Neeraj Raj (SKIES) 11-7, 11-9, 10-12, 12-10, 11-4.

Women's singles: Final:

M.V. Spoorthy (BNM) bt A. Samyuktha (SBMJC) 12-10, 11-6, 9-11, 4-11, 11-6, 13-11.

Youth Girls: Final

G. Yeshaswini bt D. Kalyani (SKIES) 12-14, 13-11, 11-9, 11-7, 11-7.

M.V. Spoorthy

Mysore Varsity Wrestling Team

The University of Mysore men's (Greeco Roman style) and women's (Free-style) wrestling team which will be taking part in the All-India Inter-University Wrestling Championships to be held at the Maharishi Dayanand University, Rohtak, Haryana from Nov. 4-6. Seen in the picture are (standing from left) ***H.S. Shivaraj, Syed Umar, J. Jyothi, K.M. Pallavi, N.L. Keshavathi, S. Amrutha and N. Sridhar and*** (sitting from left) ***R. Rajesha (Captain), R. Ramesh (Manager), Dr. P. Krishnaiah, In-charge Director, Dept of Physical Education, University of Mysore, L. Manjappa (Coach) and K.S. Rakshitha (Captain).***

NIE Men's Team wins bronze in Softball

The National Institute of Engineering Softball Men's team secured third place in VTU Inter-collegiate Rest of Bengaluru Zone Softball Championship 2017-18 held recently. Seen in the picture are (sitting from left) ***Madan Gowda, K. Aditya (Captain), Physical Education Director Shankaranarayana, Principal Dr. G. Ravi, Principal, Assistant Physical Education Director R. Kavya, S. Gururaj (Vice-Capt.), K. Akshay and*** (standing from left) ***K.R. Manjunath, G.K. Sanjay, Devu, Vinod, Srinivas, D. Lohith Singh (Trainer), Hari Bhaskar, Deekshith, P. Niranjan, Darshan and H.P. Abhishek.***

Mayor's Gold Cup Kabaddi Tournament from Nov. 9

Mysuru, Nov. 4- In an effort to encourage the rural games, the Mysuru City Corporation will be organising All India Kabaddi Floodlight Tournament – Mayor's Gold Cup for both men and women at Chamundi Vihar Indoor Stadium from Nov. 9 to 12, said Mayor M.J. Ravikumar, here yesterday.

Addressing the press persons at the Old Council Hall, here recently, he said that a total of 32 teams (16 men and 16 women) from Mysuru, Mandya, Bengaluru, Haryana, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Mumbai, Delhi, Secunderabad, Coimbatore, Kerala, Puducherry, Uttar Pradesh and other places would be taking part in the tournament.

The tournament is being organised at a total of cost of Rs. 45 lakh. While the MCC has released Rs. 25 lakh the rest of the funds are being raised by Mayor and other people representatives.

The winners men's category would be given a cash prize of Rs. 2 lakh and Rs. 1.5 lakh would be given to the second runner-up and Rs. 50,000 for third and fourth placed teams.

The winners in women's category would take home a cash prize of Rs. 1.5 lakh while the runner-up team would take Rs. One lakh cash prize. Third and fourth placed team would get Rs. 50,000.

Tournament organisers have also announced individual awards in various categories.

The tournament will be inaugurated by District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa on Nov. 9. MCC's ambassador for Swachh Bharat Abhiyan-Javagal Srinath and others will be present.

14th National Masters Swimming Championship

Gagan wins gold for Karnataka

Mysuru, Nov.4- A.P. Gagan won his second gold for Karnataka (he had won the 100m Freestyle event on Day 1), when he clinched the 200m Freestyle gold in the 25-29 years category on the concluding day of 14th National Masters Swimming Championship organised by Karnataka Swimming Association yesterday.

IMPORTANT RESULTS (WINNERS ONLY)

Men: 200m Freestyle: 25-29 years: A.P. Gagan (KAR, 2:17.23s), **30-34 years:** Srinand Srinivas (KAR, 2:19.47s), 35-39 years: Bhupinder Singh Saran (Kar, 2:55.56s), **40-44 years:** T.A. Sunith Kumar (Del, 2:25.03s), 45-49 years: Praveen Rana (Del, 2:31.64s), **50-54years:** Ajit Sangwan (Odisha, 2:32.06s), **60-64 years:** Jagadish Singh Dikhit (MP, 2:15.38s), **65-69 years:** Jage Ram (Del, 3:32.39s), **75-79 years:** Dr. Ram Kanwar Sanghwan (Har, 4:30.13s), **80-84 years:** Mai Chand (Del, 5:57.57s).

Women: 200m Freestyle: 25-29 years: V. Tejaswini (Kar, 2:46.41s), **30-34 years:** Dipali Patel (Guj, 3:14.73s), **35-39 years:** Arti Daga (Mah, 3:25.37s), **40-44 years:** Aruna Venugopal (Kar, 3:16.17s), **45-49 years:** Rima sen (Del, 3:26.33s), **50-54 years:** Dr. P.S. Sreekumari (Ker, 3:41.79s), **55-59 years:** Edra Sharma (Del, 3:44.69s), **60-64 years:** R.C.D. Ratan Mani (Del, 5:31.30s), **65-69 years:** P.V. Mani Meghalai (TN-6:35.40s), **70-74 years:** Bakulaben Ramanlal Patel (Guj, 5:37.81s).

Open Tennis Tournament

Mysuru, Nov.4- The Mysore Tennis Wing will be conducting an Open Tennis tournament at the Onkarmal Somani College, Kuvempunagar for U-10 & U-18 boys and girls on Nov. 5 and for U-12, U-14 boys and girls on Nov.11 and Nov.12. For details and registration contact: M.R. Nityanand on Mob: 90356 78000.

Malaysia F3 Futures ITF Men's Tennis Tournament

Suraj loses in quarter-finals

Malaysia, Nov.4- Mysuru lad Suraj R. Prabodh, representing India and taking part in the Malaysia F3 ITF $15,000 Men's Tennis Tournament in Malaysia, lost his quarter-final men's singles match here yesterday.

In the quarter-finals, fourth seed Scott Griekspoor of Netherlands beat Suraj 6-1, 6-1 and entered the semi-finals.

Age is just a number.

Meet the show-stoppers at the 14th Natl. Masters Swimming Championship-2017

Mysuru, Nov. 4 (SV)- While some young people lack the zeal and energy within them, senior citizens are beating them hollow and proving that age is just a number as they actively participated in the 14th National Masters Swimming Championship-2017.

The three-day Championship, that concluded yesterday, was organised by Swimming Federation of India at the Chamundi Vihar Stadium in Mysuru.

The competition swelled with inspirational swimmers who had been through a roller-coaster journey in their lives and each had a story to tell. Youthfulness still flows in their blood. *Star of Mysore* met three such inspirational individuals at this event who defied age and have shown to the world that age isn't a parameter to stop you from dreaming.

Dr. Bhagwati Oza craves for adventure even at 81

Is she the Super-Girl that India has been looking for? It is truly said that age is not a barrier to the spirit of adventure and this woman has proved it right. Hailing from Rajkot, Dr. Bhagwati Oza, aged 81, is a Gynaecologist by profession who has had the immense satisfaction of working with Mother Teresa during a relief work in Morbi at the time of Machchhu Dam disaster in 1979 where over 25,000 people were killed.

She is also an inspiring athlete, swimmer and a long-distance cyclist. She was one lady who stood out from the rest at the just concluded National Masters Swimming Championship in Mysuru. A complete all-rounder, she has bagged 4 Gold medals in this event and aims to win more in the coming years.

She uses cycle as her mode of transportation for the concern of pollution. She has covered several miles on her cycle for supporting a cause. She has pedalled from Kolkata to Kanyakumari, Kutch to Kochi, Vadodara to Wagah border, Pune to Ahmedabad, Pune to Bengaluru, etc. Being a gynaecologist, her causes cater to safe motherhood in villages *(Mathru Swasthyam),* and they also train tribal girls in various subjects and physical education to deal with the world.

Bhagwati jumped her attention towards competitive sports after she crossed 65. Till date she has participated in several District, State, National and International events and bagged more than 200 Gold medals. She has represented Indian Veterans in USA swimming competition. A scuba diver, she also practices white water rafting.

She goes for mountaineering expeditions and has been trained by Dr. Tensing Norgay, one of the first two individuals known to reach the summit of Mount Everest, which he accomplished with Edmund Hillary on 29th May 1953. She has been honoured by the then President of India Pranab Mukherjee in 2016 with 'The National Sports and Adventure Award.'

The Ministry of Sports, Gujarat, conferred Dr. Bhagwati with a 'Life Time Achievement Award' in 2017. She is definitely the Wonder-Woman of India, who lives for her passion and craves for adventure even at this age.

She is also a painter and a musician who finds peace in singing Ghazals and Bhajans. She has also conquered the air, as she is a trained pilot, and her journey speaks volumes. She has served the Indian Army as a Home Guard Commandant in Kargil region at about 10,000 feet high at the age of 65.

She says, "Age has never stopped me from doing anything. I love challenges and that's why I repeatedly keep beating them." Dr. Bhagwati is a source of inspiration to many youngsters who have lost the sight of their goals at a very early age. At this age, she now plans to learn paragliding.

Exercise and fitness morale-boosters for Om Seth

Om Seth, an 82-year-old young man, is an asthma patient but that has not deterred him from participating in the swimming competitions. He is a retired Metallurgical Engineer from Rourkela Steel Plant. After retirement, he moved to Hyderabad and runs his own business there.

Representing Telangana State at the competition, he bagged 4 medals (2 Silver and 2 Bronze). He narrates that his journey in swimming has been a fairytale only because of his hard work. His motivation dates back to 2002 when his coach saw him swim and encouraged him to take part in the State and National events as his swimming strokes were exceptional.

Om later won a Silver medal in Rajkot during the 2nd National Masters Championship-2004, which inspired him to take up swimming on a regular basis. In 2005, he bagged 4 Gold and 2 Bronze in Trivandrum. He has also participated in the World Masters Games-2017 held in Auckland, New Zealand, during April 2017 where he secured the 4th place in the 400m finals.

On being asked what keeps him motivated at such an age, he replied that "Age attracts diseases and swimming wards off those diseases." Being a member of the Laughing Club and also Taichi (Chinese Martial Arts), he says exercise and fitness are morale-boosters to him.

Follow dreams at any cost, says Dr. Ram Kanwar Sangwan

This man, who is of 80 years, has a double Masters' degree, a double Post-Graduation Diploma, a Ph.D and an L.LB. to his credit. One might wonder that this man has dedicated everything to his academic career. But the truth is his real passion has kept him inclined towards sports.

Dr. Ram Kanwar Sangwan is an International Athlete and Swimmer hailing from Haryana. He has bagged 4 medals (2 Gold, 1 Silver and 1 Bronze) at the Mysuru event. He has participated in the 19th Asia Athletic Championship held in May 2016 and won 4 medals (1 Gold and 3 Silver).

He is passionate about long distance swimming and hopes to keep cutting through waters in the upcoming years. He is also a Certified Swimming Coach from the National Institute of Sports. He was of the opinion that youngsters these days are absorbed into other things and lack determination.

He wanted to bring a change in the attitude of young minds. He said, "Gold medal is not just a coating of gold alone. Instead, it is a coating of hard work, perspiration, guts and determination and one should not sacrifice his/ her passion to the society and must follow his/her dreams."

SETTING A BENCHMARK

Age is just a number. If one has a goal, a dream and a passion, and if he/ she dares it all to go behind it, nothing can stop them. The veterans at the 14th National Masters Swimming Championship-2017 have shown that physical fitness is an essential part of every human being, irrespective of age. While the young have turned towards complacent way and settled for a mechanical humdrum kind of life, the Veterans have set a benchmark and shown them a way of life, a life that's swelled with Passion.

Army Chief recommends Bharat Ratna to Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa

General Bipin Rawat unveils bronze statues of Field Marshal K. M. Cariappa and General K.S. Thimayya at Gonikoppal in Kodagu

Chief of the Army Staff General Bipin Rawat seen with achievers who were felicitated by The Field Marshal Cariappa and General Thimayya Forum with gold medals for life-time achievement.

Gonikoppal, Nov. 4 (BCT)- Over 15,000 people, most of them in their traditional Kodava attire, were a witness to the unveiling of bronze statues of Field Marshal Kodandera M. Cariappa and General Kodandera S. Thimayya by Chief of the Army Staff General Bipin Rawat at Cauvery College in Gonikoppal, South Kodagu, this morning. After unveiling the statues, Gen. Rawat said that it was time to recommend the name of Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa for Bharat Ratna honour.

"It is time to recommend Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa for the Bharat Ratna. If others can get it (Bharat Ratna), I see no reason why Field Marshal Cariappa shouldn't be a deserving personality for the same," he said in his 7-minute address, amidst thunderous applause from the audience.

Gen. Rawat's statement follows years of demands and requests by members of the ex-servicemen community to have independent India's First Army Chief honoured with the country's highest civilian award posthumously. No military person has so far been awarded the Bharat Ratna.

K.M. Cariappa *K.S. Thimayya*

Describing the unveiling of the statue as a momentous and a historic occasion, the Chief of Army Staff said that no Army can survive without honouring its veterans. "No Army can be strong if it does not respect its veterans. We must respect them as they have spent a better part of their lives serving the nation, fighting external and internal threats," he said.

Recalling the contributions of Field Marshal Cariappa and General Thimayya and a host of other defence personalities hailing from Kodagu, Gen. Rawat said that the Army was working round-the-clock to get employment and the best medical facilities to those who have completed their service.

Making a mention of Directorate of Indian Army Veterans (DIAV), Gen. Rawat said that Army veterans can contact DIAV for all their official issues, be it pension, retirement benefits, jobs and family welfare.

For the record, the site for the statues — located close to the *'Ain Mane'* (ancestral house) of the Kodandera family belonging to Generals — has been provided by the Cauvery Educational Society. The statues (7'6" in height) were sculpted by Shilpi Vijay at a cost of Rs. 17 lakh. This is the only location in India where statues of Army Chiefs stand next to one another.

Earlier, the Army Chief arrived in a helicopter at the Tata Coffee Golf Grounds in Pollibetta and came to Gonikoppal by road. As his chopper landed at the golf course, he was received by Kodagu Deputy Commissioner Dr. Richard Vincent D'Souza and Superintendent of Police Rajendra Prasad.

President of Field Marshal Cariappa and General Thimayya Forum Colonel (Rtd.) Kandrathanda C. Subbaiah, Vice-President Machimada M. Ravindra, Convener Major Biddanda M. Nanjappa, Secretary Ulliyada M. Poovaiah, Area Commander Lieutenant General Anand, Sub-Area Commander Major General K.S. Nijjar, Commandant of Madras Engineering Group, Bengaluru, Brigadier Sachdev and others were present.

As the Chief of Army Staff enjoys Z-Plus Security, the entire area of the event was cordoned off with traffic diverted at strategic places from 9 am to 12 noon. A photo exhibition on the life and achievements of Field Marshal Cariappa and General Thimayya was also organised.

The bronze statues of Field Marshal K. M. Cariappa and General K.S. Thimayya that were unveiled by General Bipin Rawat.

President of Field Marshal Cariappa and General Thimayya Forum Colonel (Rtd.) Kandrathanda C. Subbaiah seen welcoming Gen. Bipin Rawat and the audience.

FIELD MARSHAL KODANDERA MADAPPA CARIAPPA
'FIRST KING'S COMMISSIONED INDIAN OFFICER
'FIRST INDIAN OFFICER TO ATTEND STAFF COLLEGE QUETTA
'FIRST INDIAN TO COMMAND AN INFANTRY BATTALION
'ONLY INDIAN TO BE MENTIONED IN DESPATCHES THRICE
'AWARDED ORDER OF THE BRITISH EMPIRE FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE IN WWII
'PROMOTED AS BRIGADIER
'ATTENDED HIGHER COMMAND COURSE IN IMPERIAL DEFENCE COLLEGE CAMBERLEY, UK
CHIEF COMMANDER, ESA
AND NEW ZEALAND
'APPOINTED PRESIDENT OF ALL INDIA COUNCIL OF SPORTS
'CONFERRED THE RANK OF FIELD MARSHAL

A plaque listing the life and achievements of Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa displayed near the statue.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Sathya Harishchandra	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Tarak	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Kaurava-2	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Jolly Baru Mattu Poli Geleyaru	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Haalu Thuppa	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	9980351129	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
Bharjari	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Nishyabda-2	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Kataka	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Muthanna	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Aval	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Mersal	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
HINDI			
Raaz-E-Sheitaan	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Mashooka	Uma	2520009	4 Shows

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3D Thor Ragnarok (E)	(S-1)	11.00 am, 1.45 pm, 4.45 pm, 7.20 pm, 9.55 pm
Secret Superstar (H)	(S-2)	10.35 am, (S-3) 7.00 pm
Aval (Ta)	(S-2)	1.25 pm
Golmaal Again (H)	(S-2)	4.15 pm, 7.05 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-3)	10.45 am
Dayavittu Gamanisi (K)	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Ribbon (H)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
PSV Garuda Vega (Te)	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Ittefaq (H)	(S-4)	11.00 am, 4.45 pm, 7.15 pm, 9.45 pm
Mersal (Ta)	(S-4)	1.30 pm

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Secret Superstar (H)	(S-3)	9.55 am, 6.55 pm
Golmaal Again (H)	(S-3)	12.55 pm, 3.55 pm
Mersal (Ta)	(S-4)	9.45 pm
3D Thor Ragnarok (E)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 1.15 pm, 4.00pm, 6.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Ittefaq (H)	(S-2)	9.50 am, 12.10 pm, 2.30 pm, 7.35 pm, 9.55 pm
Aval (Ta)	(S-2)	4.50 pm
Next Nuvve (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Tarak (K)	(S-4)	10.50 am
Jolly Baru Mattu Poli Geleyaru (K)	(S-4)	1.50 pm
Nishyabda-2 (K)	(S-4)	4.25 pm
Kaurava -2(Ka)	(S-4)	6.50 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (NOV.4)

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana: Bombe Mane, an expo of exquisite dolls from across India, Pratima Gallery, #91, above Aamrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7.30 pm.**

SONA TVS: Mysuru Auto Expo, J.K. Grounds, **up to 8.30 pm.**

Cottonfab-2017: Grand Exhibition of Cotton and Silk, Traditional Handlooms — Sarees, Dress Material, Kurties, Salwar-Kameez, Home Furnishing, Bharat Scouts & Guides, DC's office, **up to 9 pm.**

Karnataka State Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited: Handicrafts Expo-cum-Sale, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **up to 9.30 pm.**

Kalasuruchi: Story-telling by Y.N. Sandhya, Head Mistress, Nursery Section, Sri Sathyasai Baba School, Jayalakshmipuram, **4.30 pm to 5.30 pm;** Viswanath Mirle Memorial Children's English Play Festival-2017, former Prasaranga Director and author Prof. C. Naganna inaugurates, theatre person Rathna Vishwanath presides, Staging of play 'Martha' (Director - Sunil Patrick) by Excel Public School, Suruchi Rangamane, # 476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

The Karnataka Cricket Association, Mysuru Zone: Award Function of Tournaments conducted during the year 2016-17, KSCA Bengaluru Hon. Secretary R. Sudhakar Rao chief guest, KSCA Bengaluru Asst. Secretary (Tournaments) S. Santosh Menon guest of honour, Nityotsava Convention Hall, Ballal Circle, **5 pm.**

Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti, Jayalakshmipuram: Discourse on 'Mahabharat' by Pt. Sri Vijayindrachar, Samiti premises, **5 pm to 6.30 pm.**

Natya Niketan: 40th anniversary celebrations, Nritya Lahari, a Bharathanatyam recital by the students of Natya Niketan under the guidance of 'Karnataka Kalashree' Guru Revathi Narasimhan, JSS auditorium, **6 pm.**

Mysuru Sangeetha Pratishtana: *Sangeetha Saashtanga* - V. Ramaratnam birth centenary celebrations; *Sangeethopayana* — Vocal recital by **Vid. Manasa Nayana,** accompanied by Vid. A. Radesh on mridanga, Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching, Vid. C.A. Nataraj on violin; *Geetha Namana* by Pallavi Srinivasan (disciple of Ramaratnam), accompanied by Vid. Tyagarajan on violin and Chiranjeevi Sumukhashesha on mridanga, Ganabharathi, Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **5 pm.**

Suttur Mutt: Monthly moonlight music programme, violin duo **Mysuru Karthik** and **Master Sumanth,** accompanied by Kalaimamani Vid. Thiruvarur Bhaktavasalam on mridanga and Vid. Giridhar Udupa on ghata, Suttur Mutt, **6 pm.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha: Karnatak Classical Vocal by **Vid. Madurai N. Sivaganeshan,** accompanied by Vid. R. Achyuth Rao on violin, Vid. Nikshit Puttur on mridanga, Vid. C.A. Raghunandan Rao on ghata, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, K.Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, Lakshmipuram, **6 pm.**

Avadhoota Datta Peetha: Diamond Jubilee Year Celebrations of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Nakshatra Ishti for the well-being of the society, Bhajans and Namasankeertana, Poundarika Rangastala, Ashrama premises, Nanjangud-Ooty Road, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Adichunchanagiri Mahasamthana Mutt, Mysuru Branch: Navilugari, monthly cultural programme, Sri Someshwaranatha Swamiji graces the occasion, Devotional and Kannada Songs by Kiragasuru Purushotham, BGS Vidyapeetha, Sri Adichunchanagiri Road, Kuvempunagar, **6.30 pm.**

Rangayana: Staging of play 'Yuddha bantu maneyavarege,' Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Digambara Jain Samaja and Padmasri Jain Mahila Samaja: Nandishwara Ashtahnika Parva of Karthikamaasa, discourse on 'Gotra Karma' by Prema Mahaveer, Sri Shantishwara Swamy Basadi (Kote Basadi), **7.15 pm.**

International Society for Krishna Consciousness (ISKCON), Jayanagar: 'Damodara Deepotsava,' ISKCON premises, Jayanagar, **7.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (NOV. 5)

Avadhoota Datta Peetha: Diamond Jubilee Year Celebrations of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Nakshatra Ishti for the well-being of the society, Bhagavata Parayana by Sri Swamiji, **7 am;** Srichakra Puja, Ganapathy Homa, **8.30 am;** Nakshatra Ishti rituals, Poornahuti and Prasadam, **10 am to 1 pm;** Bhajans and Namasankeertana, Poundarika Rangastala, Ashrama premises, Nanjangud-Ooty Road, **6.30 pm.**

Karnataka State Handicrafts Development Corporation Limited: Handicrafts Expo-cum-Sale, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **10 am to 9.30 pm.**

Gommata Jina Bhakthi Geethanjali and Bharatiya Jain Milan, Zone-8, Mysuru Division: Divisional-level 'Jina Bhajan Contest - Season 2' as part of Mahamasthakabhisheka-2018 of Bhagwan Bahubali, Vinuta Vedanayagam inaugurates, Bharatiya Jain Milan National Working President D. Surendrakumar and Zone-8 Women's Wing President Anita Surendrakumar guests of honour, **10 am;** Valedictory, Zonal President E.V. Ajjappa and General Secretary H.P. Sumathi Kumar chief guests, Dharmasthala Sri Manjunatha Kalyana Mantapa, Jayalakshmipuram, **4 pm.**

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana: Bombe Mane, an expo of exquisite dolls from across India, Pratima Gallery, #91, above Aamrapali Saree Store, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**

Basava Samiti (Hebbal-Vijayanagar), Akhila Bharata Sharana Shaitya Parishat and Kadali Mahila Vedike, Mysuru: Sharana Sangama-238 and endowment programme, talk on 'Badukina Parivarthanege Sharaneyaru Torida Daari' by Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) Asst. Professor Dr. Jyothi Shankar, Samiti President H.V. Basavaraju presides, Kadali Mahila Vedike President Kalyani Natarajappa chief guest, Basava Bhavan, CA-5, Vijayanagar 1st Stage, **10.30 am.**

SONA TVS: Mysuru Auto Expo, J.K. Grounds, **10.30 am to 8.30 pm.**

Cottonfab-2017: Grand Exhibition of Cotton and Silk, Traditional Handlooms — Sarees, Dress Material, Kurties, Salwar-Kameez, Home Furnishing, Bharat Scouts & Guides, DC's office, **10.30 am to 9 pm.**

Sri Hulagadri Trust: Scholarship distribution ceremony-2017, retd. Dean and Director of MMC&RI Dr. Geetha K. Avadhani inaugurates, Akhila Karnataka Brahmana Mahasabha President K.N. Venkatanarayana chief guest, Sri Hulagadri Trust Managing Trustee G.R. Nagaraja presides, Maharaja's College Centenary Hall, **10.30 am.**

H.V. Rajeev Sneha Balaga and Mysuru District Journalists Association: Celebrating 3rd anniversary of Balaga's Swachh Bharat initiative, Sri Mokshatmanandaji of Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama graces the occasion, Drinking Water and Sanitation Minister Ramesh C. Jigajinagi inaugurates, former Minister V. Sreenivasa Prasad releases documentary, MP Pratap Simha distributes financial aid to children of Pourakarmikas, Nityotsava auditorium, near Ballal Circle, **11 am.**

Book Clubs-2015 - Kannada Odugara Okkuta: 62nd Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations, theatre director B. Jayashree chief guest, felicitation to Rajyotsava Awardee Meera Nayak, interaction - B. Jayashree - writer Preethi B. Nagaraj, Swami Vivekananda auditorium, Mahajana PU College, Jayalakshmipuram, **11 am.**

Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha:

Karnatak classical vocal by **Vid. Vidyabhushana,** accompanied by Vid. H.K. Narasimhamurthy on violin, Vid. H.L. Shivashankaraswamy on mridanga and Vid. M.R. Manjunath on ghata, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, K.Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, Lakshmipuram, **6 pm.**

Kalasuruchi: Staging of play 'Villa for Sale' (Director - Isha Suraj) by St. Joseph's Central School, **6 pm;** 'The Accident' (Director - Damayanthi Patidar) by Acharya Vidyakula, Suruchi Rangamane, # 476, Chitrabhanu Road, Kuvempunagar, **6.45 pm.**

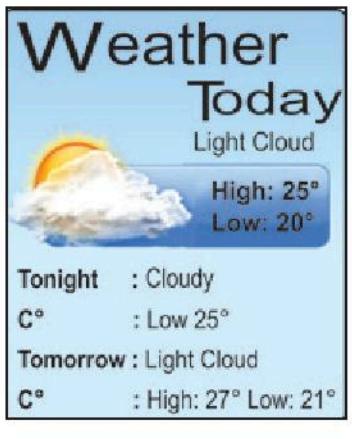
Rangayana: Staging of play 'Shikhari,' Bhoomigeeta, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

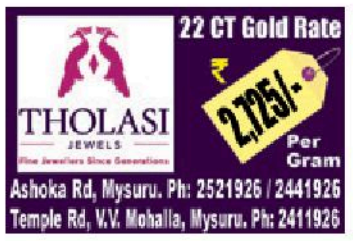
In-house training for NGOs on Fund Raising next month

Mysuru, Nov.4 (SV)- A two-day in-house training programme on Fund Raising has been organised by Indian Foundation for Global Peace Education (IFGPE), Bengaluru, in association with Vishwa Yuvak Kendra, New Delhi, for the NGOs based in South India on Dec.2 and 3 at Bengaluru.

The purpose of this training is to provide the various methods of fund raising and to create awareness covering funding agencies — Government, Private institutions and special CSR initiatives. Well-qualified resource persons having experience in management and financial advisors will be training the participants who will be given boarding and lodging facilities along with training materials. Last date for submitting the applications is Nov.8.

For details contact V. Gopalratnam, Executive Director, IFGPE, on Mob:93421-34174 or 98454-26151 or email: *ifgpedn@gmail.com,* according to a press release.





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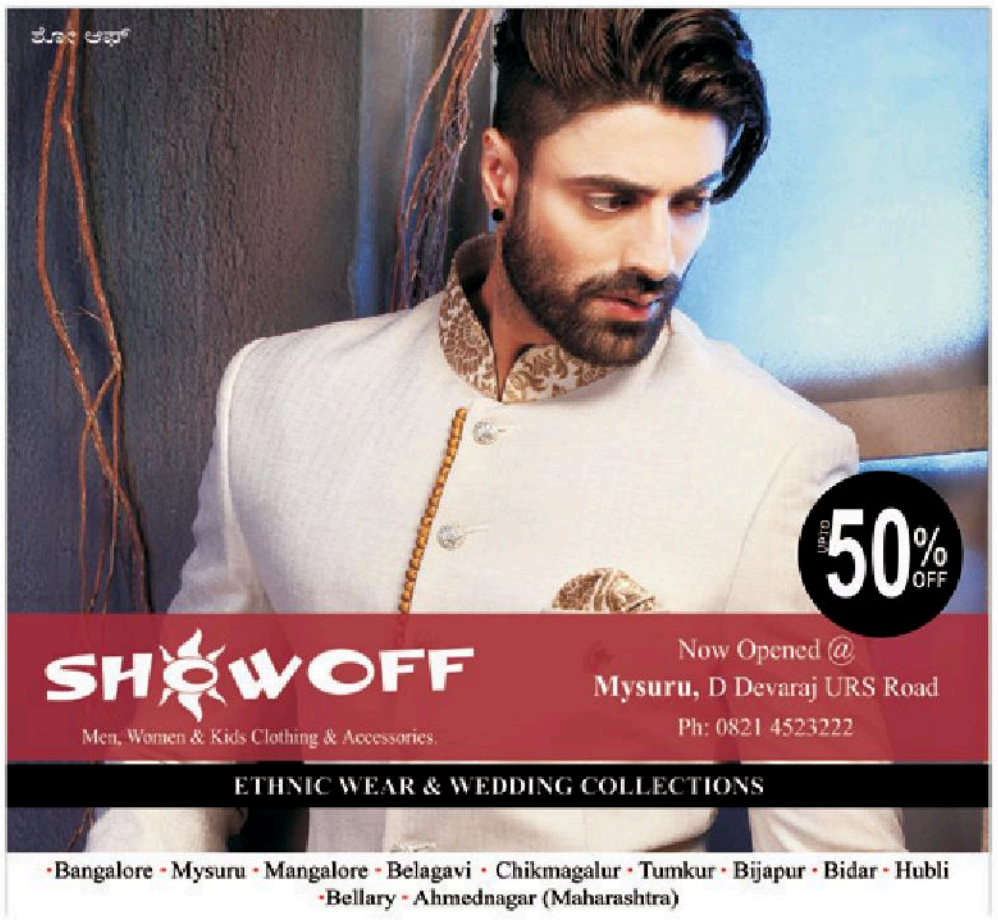
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